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SENIOR CITIZENS HONOR ISTOOK

Washington D.C.—"Senior citizens know they can depend on Representative Ernest Istook, Jr. (R-OK) to always protect their monthly Social Security benefits. Rep. Istook can also be counted on to work hard to lower the costs of their Medicare benefits."

That assertion was made at a Capitol Hill ceremony by Jim Martin, President of the 60 Plus Association, as he presented Rep. Istook with a Guardian of Seniors' Rights plaque in honor of the Representative's efforts on behalf of the elderly.

60 Plus is a non-partisan group that depends upon support from nearly 5 million senior citizens. Martin said "seniors have no finer friend in Congress than Rep. Istook."

Martin cited support by Istook to:

- Repeal the 1993 tax on monthly Social Security benefits;
- Abolish the Social Security earnings limit for younger seniors 62-64;
- Abolish the 90-year-old death tax which hurts small businesses and farmers;
- Repeal the 108-year-old excise tax on telephones which was imposed to help finance the Spanish-American War.

"These are but a few key 'senior friendly' initiatives that Rep. Istook supports. There are others. Seniors are grateful to Rep. Istook for his leadership."

The 60 Plus Association is a 15-year-old nonpartisan organization taking on important issues such as death tax repeal, saving Social Security, working to lower energy costs, affordable prescription drugs and other senior-friendly issues featuring a less government, less taxes approach. 60 Plus calls on support from nearly 4.5 million citizen activists. 60 Plus publishes a quarterly magazine, SENIOR VOICE, and a Scorecard, bestowing a Guardian of Seniors' Rights award on lawmakers of both parties who vote "pro-senior." 60 Plus has been called "an increasingly influential senior citizen's group" and "the conservative alternative to the AARP." 60 Plus has established a membership benefit program. To join 60 Plus or for further information, please go to our website at www.60plus.org or call 888-560-PLUS (7587).